This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

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1. (Currently Amended) A polyester fiber comprising polyethylene terephthalate at 90 mol% or higher of a whole repeating unit in a molecular chain thereof, the fiber having an intrinsic viscosity (IV) of 0.85 dl/g or higher and simultaneously meeting the following characteristics:

(a) strength $\geq$ 6.0 cN/dtex;

(b) strength x (breaking elongation)$^{0.5}$ $\leq$ 24.0 cN/dtex.%$^{0.5}$;

(c) monofilament linear density $\leq$ 5.0 dtex; ~~and~~

(d) main dispersion peak temperature of loss tangent (tan δ) in the measurement of dynamic viscoelasticity at 110 Hz $\leq$ 147.0°C; and

(e) birefringence > 0.08.

2.-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Original) The polyester fiber according to claim 1, wherein the strength x (breaking elongation)$^{0.5}$ is 23.0 cN/dtex.%$^{0.5}$ or lower.

5. (Previously Amended) A polyester dipped cord, which is obtainable by twisting one or more than one base yarn together into a pretwisted yarn, where the base yarn is made of a polyester fiber according to claim 1; twisting two or more pretwisted yarns together into a greige cord; and subjecting the greige cord to dip treatment to give a dipped cord simultaneously meeting the following characteristics:

(a) tenacity conversion efficiency in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity) $\geq$ 96%; and

(b) elongation at a specific load + dry heat shrinkage $\leq$ 7.5%.

6. (Original) The polyester dipped cord according to claim 5, wherein the tenacity conversion efficiency in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity) is 98% or higher.

7. (Withdrawn) A method of making a polyester dipped cord, comprising:

twisting one or more than one base yarn together into a pretwisted yarn, wherein the base yarn is made of a polyester fiber comprising polyethylene terephthalate at 90 mol% or higher of a whole repeating unit in a molecular chain thereof, the fiber having an intrinsic viscosity (IV) of 0.85 dl/g or higher and simultaneously having:

(a) strength $\geq$ 6.0 cN/dtex,

(b) strength x (breaking elongation)$^{0.5} \leq$ 24.0 cN/dtex.%$^{0.5}$,

(c) monofilament linear density $\leq$ 5.0 dtex, and

(d) main dispersion peak temperature of loss tangent (tan δ) in the measurement of dynamic viscoelasticity at 110 Hz $\leq$ 147.0°C;

twisting two or more pretwisted yarns together into a greige cord; and

subjecting the greige cord to dip treatment to obtain a dipped cord having:

(e) tenacity conversion efficiency in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity) $\geq$ 96%, and

(f) elongation at a specific load + dry heat shrinkage $\leq$ 7.5%.

8. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 7, wherein the tenacity conversion efficiency obtained in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity) is 98% or higher.

9. (New) The polyester fiber according to claim 1, wherein the birefringence is approximately 0.089.